STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A compound having Formula I:

$$R_1$$
 X
 Y_1
 Y_2
 Z
 R_2

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt-or prodrug thereof, wherein:

 R_1 is C_{1-2} alkyl or C_{1-2} haloalkyl;

R₂ is branched or unbranched alkyl or cycloalkyl or substituted or unsubstituted aryl, alkylaryl, heteroaryl, or alkylheteroaryl;

X is CONH, CH_2O , CH_2NH , CH_2S , or $(CH_2)_{1-3}$;

Y₁ is (CH₂)₁₋₅, wherein one or more carbon can be replaced by one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur, and nitrogen, and one or more hydrogens in CH₂ groups can be replaced by a branched or unbranched alkyl or cyclic alkyl or substituted or unsubstituted aryl, alkylaryl, heteroaryl, or alkylheteroaryl;

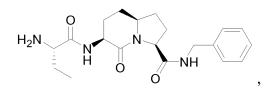
Y₂ is (CH₂)₁₋₅, wherein one or more carbon can be replaced by one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, sulfur, and nitrogen, and one or more hydrogens in CH₂ groups can be replaced by a branched or unbranched alkyl or cyclic alkyl or substituted or unsubstituted aryl, alkylaryl, heteroaryl, or alkylheteroaryl; and

Z is CONH, CH₂O, NHCO, (CH₂)₁₋₄, (CH₂)₁₋₃CONH(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃S(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NHC(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NHCO(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NHSO₂(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NHC(O)NH(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NHC(S)NH(CH₂)₀₋₃, (CH₂)₁₋₃NR'(CH₂)₀₋₃, wherein R' is branched or unbranched alkyl or cycloalkyl or substituted or unsubstituted aryl, alkylaryl, heteroaryl, or alkylheteroaryl.

- 2. (Original) The compound of claim 1, wherein X is CONH.
- 3. (Original) The compound of claim 1, wherein Z is CONH.

- 4. (Original) The compound of claim 1, wherein X and Z are CONH.
- 5. (Original) The compound of claim 1, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & CH_3 \\ \hline H_2N & N & NH \\ \hline \end{array}$$



$$\begin{array}{c|c} H_2N & & & \\ & & N & \\ \hline & H & O & \\ \hline & \hline CONH_2 \end{array}$$

$$H_2N$$

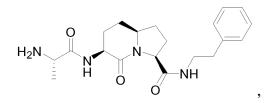
6. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

7. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 6, wherein X is CONH.

8. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 6, wherein Z is CONH.

9. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 6, wherein X and Z are CONH.

10. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 6, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of:



$$H_2N$$
 H_2N
 H_2N
 H_2N
 H_3N
 H_4N
 H_4N
 H_5N
 H_5N

$$H_2N$$
 H_2N
 H
 N
 H
 N
 H

$$H_2N$$
 H_2N
 H_0
 $H_$

$$H_2N$$

11. - 35. (canceled)

- 36. (Original) A kit comprising a compound of claim 1 and instructions for administering said compound to an animal.
- 37. (Original) The kit of claim 36, further comprising an inducer of apoptosis.

- 38. (Original) The kit of claim 37, wherein said inducer of apoptosis is a chemotherapeutic agent.
- 39. (Original) The kit of claim 36, wherein said instructions are for administering said compound to an animal having a hyperproliferative disease.
- 40. (Original) The kit of claim 39, wherein said hyperproliferative disease is cancer.